MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes___

Property Name: Johns' Mill Workers' House (1) Inventory Number: BA-821
Address: East side of Falls Road, North of Butler City: Butler Zip Code: 21023
County: Baltimore County USGS Topographic Map: Hereford
Owner: Is the property being evaluated a district? yes
Tax Parcel Number: Tax Map Number: Tax Account ID Number:
Project: Butler Stone Quarry Agency: Federal Communications Commission
Site visit by MHT staff: X no yes Name: Date:
Is the property is located within a historic district? X yes no
If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: BA2214
NR-listed district X yes Eligible district yes Name of District: Western Run - Belfast Road
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource X yes no Non-contributing but eligible in another context yes
If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible X yesno
Criteria: A B X C D Considerations: A B C D E F G Nor
Documentation on the property/district is presented in:
Maryland Historical Trust Library, Crownsville, Maryland
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)
Johns' Mill Workers' House was most recently observed and photographed in February, 2003. Its condition was largely unchanged since the preparation of the State Historic Sites Inventory Form in the library of the Maryland Historical Trust, dated September, 1976.
The property is described in the following documents located at the Maryland Historical Trust Library:
Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form, by Beverly W. Young and James T. Wollon, Jr., September 1976.
The following observations were made during the visit to the property:
This simple stone dwelling continues to contribute as a resource of the Butler community. It is associated with the nearby Johns Grist Mill. The shed-roofed addition of the stone house has not been well-maintained; nevertheless, the character and integrity of the ofriginal design qualify the property for registration under Criterion C: Design/Construction.
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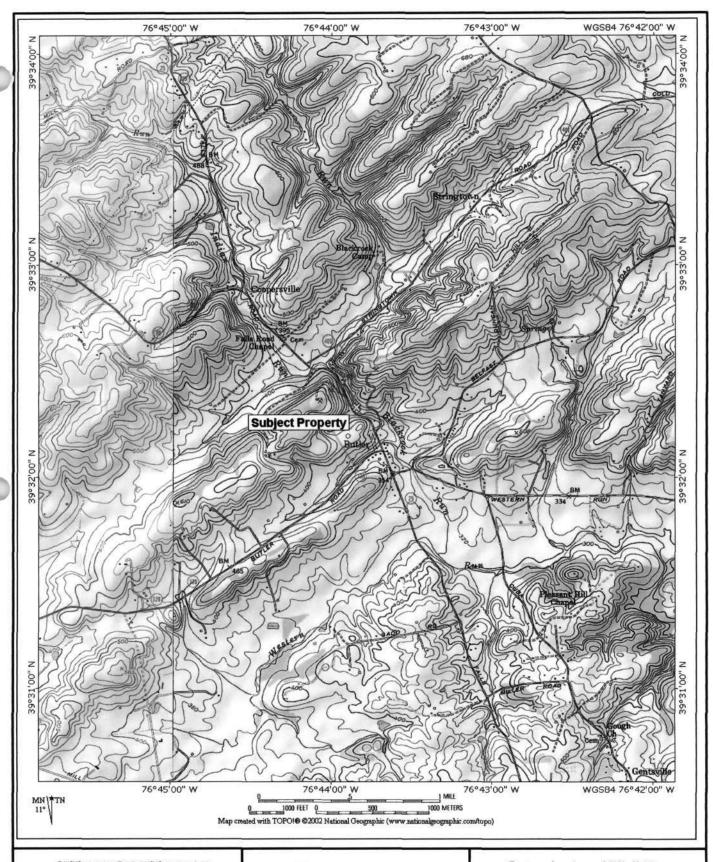
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Johns' Mill Workers' House

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SITE VICINITY MAP

Hereford Quadrangle, MD (Dated 1991) SCALE: As Shown



Determination of Eligibility

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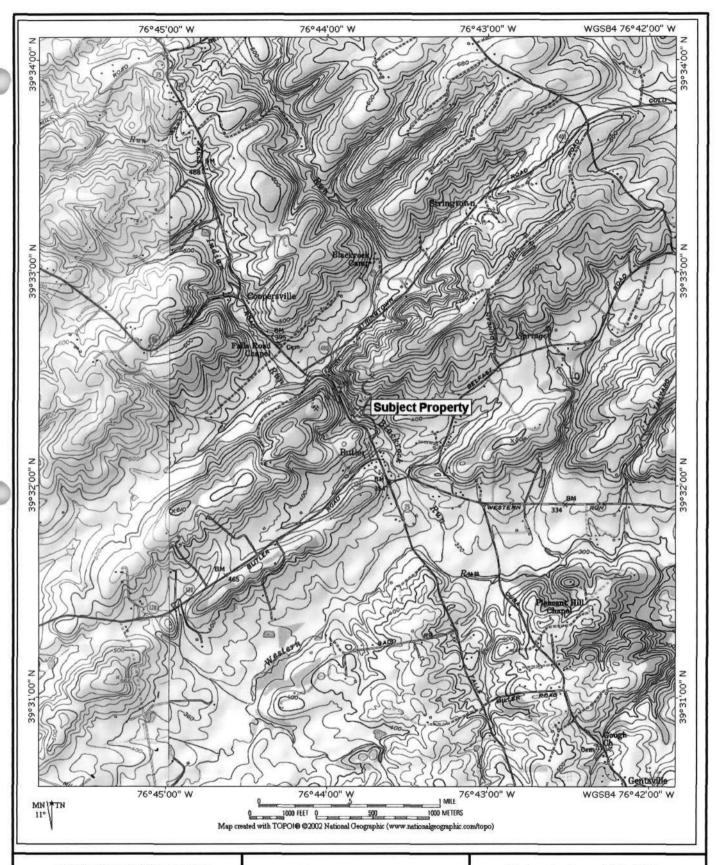
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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

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County: Baltimore County USGS Topographic Map: Her	eford
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Site visit by MHT staff: X no yes Name:	
Is the property is located within a historic district? X yes no	
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NR-listed district X yes Eligible district yes Name of District: Western Run -	Belfast Road
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource X yes no Non-contributing but	ut eligible in another context yes
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CAPSULE SUMMARY
BA- 822
Johns Mill Worker's House #2
15113 Falls Road
Butler, Baltimore County
1870 ca.
Private

Although historic atlases do not support a circa 1870 date of construction for the Johns Mill Worker's House #2, architectural evidence suggests that the dwelling, which is representative of vernacular stone houses constructed throughout Baltimore County in the mid- to late 19th century, does date to the 1870s. An interior architectural survey of the house accompanied by deed research would help to confirm a more exact date of construction. Vernacular buildings tend to have little to no stylistic detailing and are typically constructed by local builders with locally available tools and materials. Vernacular architecture accounts for the majority of the built environment and reflects the traditions of society, rather than the whims of the architect. Throughout Baltimore County, there are a number of vernacular stone houses from this period. Stone was readily available in the county, with both marble and granite quarries located throughout the region. Commonly, these random rubble stone dwellings are two stories in height, single-pile with side gable roofs. This continuity of form is a result of folk architecture and the reliance on constructing forms that had been built by the previous generation. Although the dwelling was devastated by fire in 1950, the building was later renovated and continues to serve as a private residence.

John's Mill Worker's House #2 is a two-story dwelling of solid random rubble stone construction with a side gable roof clad in standing seam metal and one reconstructed central interior stretcher bond brick chimney. Circa 1980, the house experienced a phase of renovations that resulted in the construction of a two-story wood frame ell clad in board-and-batten siding and the presence of a one-story façade porch enclosed with board-and-batten siding below a shed roof. The building fronts south and sits in a meadow on the east side of Falls Road and is accessible by a long, winding gravel driveway. The façade is pierced by an offset one-light single-leaf wood door that dates to circa 1970. Two 1/1 windows flank the entry. Two 6/6 windows pierce the second story of the façade. Board-and-batten siding covers the gable peaks of the main block. The ell is two bays deep and encircled by a wood deck at the second story that connects the house to the ice house, which is sited to the north. The circa 1870 ice house was also extensively renovated circa 1970. The building presently features a solid random rubble stone foundation and a wood frame second story that is clad in board-and-batten siding with a front gable roof clad in standing seam metal. The foundation, which is banked into the hillside, is pierced by one flush-vertical-board single-leaf door. One historic privy, which dates to circa 1930, is also located on the property. The circa 1980 privy is also one story tall and one bay square.

Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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One historic privy, which dates to circa 1930, is also located on the property. The one-story, one-bay-square solid concrete block building features a front able roof clad in standing seam metal and an offset beaded-vertical-board single-leaf door.

The circa 1980 privy is also one story tall and one bay square. The building features a shed roof clad in corrugated sheet metal and a plywood-clad wood frame structural system.

8. Signific	ance			Inventory No. BA- 822
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Evaluation for:				
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Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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10. Geographical Data

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Unknown			
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Verbal boundary description and justification

Since its construction circa 1870, John's Mill Worker's House #2 has been associated with the 6.36 acres of land known as tax parcel 19 of map 33 located in the Baltimore County Tax Assessor's office.

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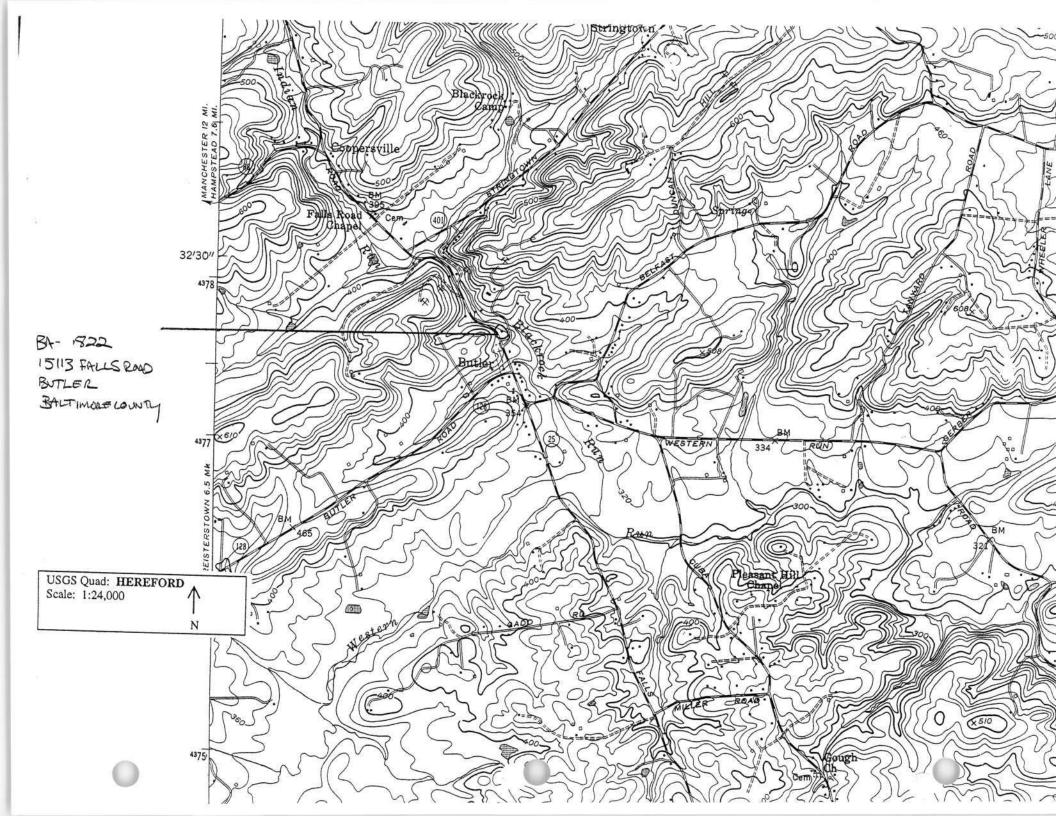
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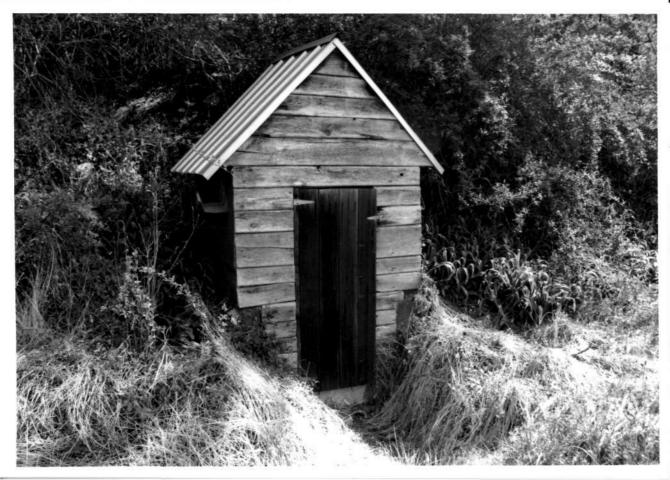
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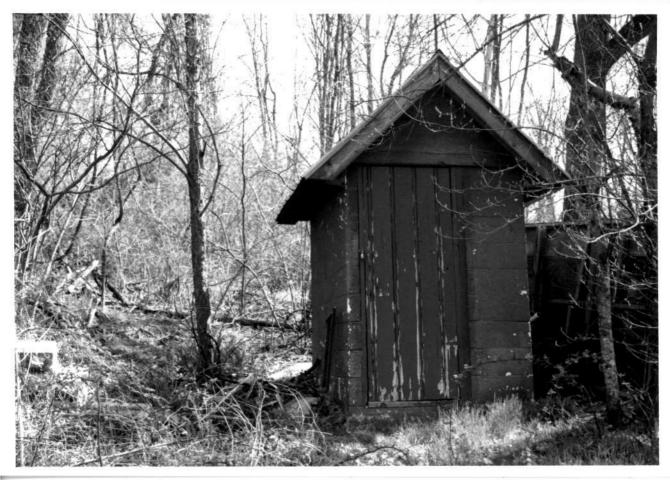
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PRIVY

Johns' Mill Workers' Houses East side of Falls Rd. north of Butler Not accessible Circa 1812

These two small but substantial dwellings were probably related to the rural industries in this agricultural community. They were part of the property of the Johns family who operated the grist mill just north of here from the early 1800's. The westerly house is very traditional in form and detail and of especially good workmanship and design. It bears a detestone which is nearly illegible but appears to read: 1812, which is an acceptable date, architecturally for both buildings.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

These two small stone houses appear to have been built as part of the Johns family mill operation at Black Rock Farm. Richard Johns purchased the mill site and surrounding land in 1794 from the widow of Thomas Matthews. A new mill was erected by his son, Kensey Johns, in 1800 and several dwellings, mill buildings and a blacksmith shop were added through the years.

In 1873, Shadrach Kemp purchased the 867 acres comprising parts of Miller's Delight, Mount Airy, Hare's Level and
Cables' (or Caples') Habitation. Following Kemp's death in
1884, part of the property was sold to Joseph Royston. In 1912,
Royston's heirs sold this parcel to Peter K. Fowble whose heirs
continue to occupy the houses.

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Johns' Mill Workers' Houses Valleys Historical District

Continuation Sheet #1

Question #7 continued

The easterly of the two Houses is of stone, two storeys in height, three bays in length, with a low-pitched gabled roof; fire gutted this dwelling ca. 1955. The principal entrance is centered on the south side and a 6/6 window is in either flanking bay; the center bay is void of openings in the second storey. A shed-roofed porch shelters the first storey of the south side. A secondary entrance is centered in the west end. Earlier (than the fire) window frames remain in first storey openings, consisting of narrow beaded material. Gables are of vertical boards, probably the result of earlier stone gables being destroyed in the fire.

The interior of this house was not examined.

In a low hillside immediately north of the house is a stone-walled root cellar, its depth approximately three times its face width.

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Johns' Mill Workers' Houses

Valleys Historical District

Continuation Sheet #2

Question #9 continued

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